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For: INSTANT MESSAGING  
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Sir:

**SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application  
as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace the paragraph previously inserted on page 1 after the title with the  
following:

This application claims the benefit of priority from U.S. provisional application  
number 60/202,864, filed May 10, 2000.

**REMARKS**

By this Amendment, Applicants amend the benefit of priority to remove  
International Application No. PCT/SG00/00068, filed May 10, 2000. Applicants have  
attached an Appendix detailing the changes made to the specification in this regard.

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